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Japan Establishes Residue Standards for Bifenazate (Insecticide) and Fenamidone (Fungicide)

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Report Highlights:

Japan invited foreign Embassies to comment on the establishment of maximum residue limits for an insecticide, bifenazate and a fungicide, fenamidone. The deadline for submitting these comments is February 10, 2005. This proposal will be open for comments again when it is submitted to the WTO.

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On January 27, 2005, the Ministry of Labor, Health and Welfare (MHLW) invited foreign Embassies in Tokyo to comment on the establishment of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for an insecticide, bifenazate and a fungicide, fenamidone, as shown in Attachments 1 and 2, respectively. Foreign governments have until February 10, 2005 to comment.

The MRLs are NOT a part of the new provisional MRLs that MHLW is drafting (See GAIN Report JA3071, JA4051 and JA4067). MHLW will open the proposal for comments from a wider audience and notify the WTO SPS Committee before final review and adoption.

All interested parties are encouraged to send their comments, well before the deadline, for consideration to USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service. The office responsible for the comments is:

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Attachment 1. List of Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides in Foods (draft)
(Newly Establishment)

Bifenazate (insecticide)

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm
Tomato	2
Pimento (Sweet pepper)	2
Egg plant	2
Other solanaceous vegetables	2
Cucumber (including Gherkin)	2
Pumpkin (including Squash)	2
Oriental pickling melon (vegetable)	0.75
Water melon	0.2
Melons	0.2
MAKUWAURI	0.75
Other cucurbitaceous vegetables	2
Okra	2
Spearmint	25
Peppermint	25
UNSHU orange	0.2
NATSUDAIDAI (whole)	0.7
Lemon	0.7
Orange (including Navel)	0.7
Grapefruit	0.7
Lime	0.7
Other citrus fruits	0.7
Apple	2
Japanese pear	2
Pear	2
Quince	2
Loquat	0.75
Peach	0.2
Nectarine	2
Japanese plum (including Prunes)	1
Cherry	2
Strawberry	5
Grape	3
Japanese persimon	2
Banana	2
Papaya	2
Mango	2
Other fruits	2
Cotton seeds	0.75
Chestnut	0.2
Pecan	0.2
Almond	0.2
Walnut	0.2
Other nuts	0.2
Tea (Green, Black, Oolong, Wulong tea)	2
Hop	15
Cattle, muscle	* 0.02
Pig, muscle	* 0.02
Sheep, muscle	* 0.02
Horse, muscle	* 0.02
Goat, muscle	* 0.02
Cattle, fat	* 0.1
Pig, fat	* 0.1
Sheep, fat	* 0.1

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm
Horse, fat	* 0.1
Goat, fat	* 0.1
Cattle, liver	* 0.02
Pig, liver	* 0.02
Sheep, liver	* 0.02
Horse, liver	* 0.02
Goat, liver	* 0.02
Cattle, kidney	* 0.02
Pig, kidney	* 0.02
Sheep, kidney	* 0.02
Horse, kidney	* 0.02
Goat, kidney	* 0.02
Cattle, edible offal	* 0.02
Pig, edible offal	* 0.02
Sheep, edible offal	* 0.02
Horse, edible offal	* 0.02
Goat, edible offal	* 0.02
Milk	* 0.02
Grapes, dried	1.2

MRLs in commodities of plant origin: sum of bifenazate(isopropyl 2-(4-methoxybiphenyl-3-yl)hydrazinoformate) and isopropyl 2-(4-methoxybiphenyl-3-yl)diazanylformate, expressed as bifenazate.

MRLs in commodities of animal origin indicated with the mark(*) : sum of bifenazate(isopropyl 2-(4-methoxybiphenyl-3-yl)hydrazinoformate), isopropyl 2-(4-methoxybiphenyl-3-yl)diazanylformate, 4-hydroxybiphenyl and 4-sulfatobiphenyl, expressed as bifenazate.

Attachment 2. List of Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides in Foods (draft)
(Newly Establishment)

Fenamidone (fungicide)

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm
Potato	0.02
Taro	0.02
Sweet potato	0.02
Yam	0.02
Other potatoes	0.02
Chinese cabbage	0.5
Lettuce (Cos lettuce, Leaf lettuce)	20
Onion	0.2
Welsh (including Leek)	1.5
Garlic	0.2
Other liliaceous vegetables	1.5
Tomato	1
Cucumber (including Gherkin)	0.3
Pumpkin (including Squash)	0.15
Oriental pickling melon (vegetable)	0.15
Water melon	0.15
Melons	0.15
MAKUWAURI	0.15
Other cucurbitaceous vegetables	0.15
Ginger	0.02
Other vegetables	0.02
Grape	3
Cattle, muscle	* 0.1
Sheep, muscle	* 0.1
Goat, muscle	* 0.1
Cattle, fat	* 0.1
Sheep, fat	* 0.1
Goat, fat	* 0.1
Cattle, liver	* 0.1
Sheep, liver	* 0.1
Goat, liver	* 0.1
Cattle, kidney	* 0.1
Sheep, kidney	* 0.1
Goat, kidney	* 0.1
Cattle, edible offal	* 0.1
Sheep, edible offal	* 0.1
Goat, edible offal	* 0.1
Milk	* 0.02
Tomato puree	2.0
Tomato paste	2.2

MRLs in commodities of plant origin: fenamidone((S)-1-anilino-4-methyl-2-methylthio-4-phenylimidazolin-5-one).

MRLs in commodities of animal origin indicated with the mark(*): sum of fenamidone((S)-1-anilino-4-methyl-2-methylthio-4-phenylimidazolin-5-one) and 5-methyl-5-phenylimidazolidine-2,4-dione, expressed as fenamidone.